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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, XF  
SUBJECT: WALDHEIM AND ROMANIAN DIPLOMAT DISCUSS MIDDLE  
EAST

1. ACCORDING TO UN SECRETARIAT, SECRETARY-GENERAL  
WALDHEIM MET WITH VASSILY PUNGAN, SPECIAL FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
ADVISER TO PRESIDENT CEAUCESCU, ON FEB 24 AT  
LATTER'S REQUEST. PUNGAN SUGGESTED THE SYG REACTIVATE  
HIS PROPOSAL TO CONVENE A PREPARATORY PRE-GENEVA MEETING  
IN NEW YORK. WALDHEIM REPLIED THAT WHILE HIS OFFER TO  
CONVENE A PRE-GENEVA MEETING WAS STILL ON THE TABLE, HE  
DID NOT BELIEVE THIS WAS APPROPRIATE TIME TO RECONSIDER  
IT. WALDHEIM ADDED THAT HE WAS FULLY SATISFIED WITH THE  
US ROLE AND THAT HE WOULD WAIT FOR THE OUTCOME OF  
ATHERTON'S EFFORTS.

2. SECRETARIAT SOURCE COMMENTED THAT PUNGAN IMPLIED THAT  
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HE HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE ISRAELIS WHO DID NOT REJECT  
CATEGORICALLY THE PREPARATORY CONFERENCE PROPOSAL.  
SECRETARIAT SURMISED THAT PUNGAN MAY HAVE BEEN PUT UP TO  
THIS MISSION BY EGYPTIANS WHO ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY  
NERVOUS OVER PROSPECT OF ATHERTON'S EFFORTS NOT  
PRODUCING RESULTS.

3. AN EGYPTIAN/ROMANIAN LINKUP ON REVAMPING WALDHEIM'S  
PROPOSAL IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH EGYPTIAN PERMREP MEGUID'S  
REMARKS TO THE COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS ON FEB 23.  
MEGUID GAVE STRONG PLUG TO SYG'S PROPOSAL BUT ADDED THAT  
THIS PROPOSAL SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH THE CURRENT  
ACTIVITIES OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON. YOUNG

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